

## House Resolution No. 274

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the meritorious achievements of a remarkable individual who has graced audiences around the world with his music; and

**Whereas**, Stan Ford is an internationally respected concert pianist, accompanist, and pedagogue who graduated summa cum laude from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, where he earned both his Bachelor of Music in Performance and his Master of Music in Performance in 1982; and

**Whereas**, a successful musician who studied with famed concert pianist Ruth Slenczyska while a college student, Stan Ford furthered his studies at the Universität Mozarteum in Salzburg, Austria, and received a two-year Fulbright Scholarship in 1985; and

**Whereas**, the first African American to accept a professorship as a member of Pedagogy Faculty for Piano at the Mozarteum, Stan Ford holds membership with various professional organizations including the National Association of Negro Musicians, the National Music Educators Association, Pi Kappa Pi honorary music society, Phi Kappa Phi honorary academic association, and "Mittebau", Hochschule 'Mozarteum'; and

**Whereas**, listed in Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, Stan Ford has received numerous awards and accolades for his accomplishments that include the Young Community Leaders of America award, the International Youth in Achievement Award, the Southern Illinois University Graduate Fellowship Award, and the National Association of Negro Musicians Lena Rivers Dancy Award, Outstanding Youth President of the Year award, and Outstanding Performance Award, just to name a few; and

**Whereas**, in addition to performing concerts, teaching, and conducting workshops throughout the United States, Europe, and Asia, Stan Ford is currently pursuing a doctoral degree in Musicology:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty and robust congratulations to Stan Ford, a stellar musician whose talent is celebrated around the world and continues to serve as an inspiration to all those who have had the distinct pleasure of watching him perform; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Stan Ford of Salzburg, Austria.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Betty L. Thompson  
District No. 72

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 274, adopted February 11, 2002.

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Jim Kreider, Speaker